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Patent Numbers:

1. US 6,131,879 A
2. US 20030070716 A1
3. US 6,523,560 B1
4. DE 10027354 A1

The references were cited in respective of the International Search Report rendered by the Swedish Patent Office in connection with the International application corresponding to the present United States application.


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